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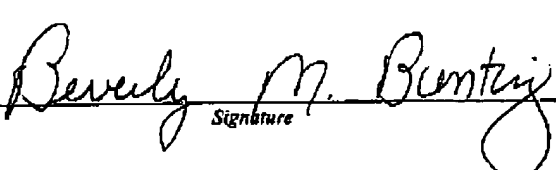

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| Invention: METHOD FOR FORMING A JOINT  |                                     |                             |  |                                   |                   |
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